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1. The following is an outline of the structure of the East German Ministry for Agriculture and Forestry and the names of some of the officials of that Ministry. The Agriculture Ministry has been in a constant state of reorganization since 1 January 1955 and the transition was not complete as of 6 June 1955. The alleged purpose of the reorganization was to reduce the staff as much as possible and install trustworthy SED members in all key positions. The outline below represents the Ministry's structure as of June 1955.

Minister:

Hans Reichelt (SED member)

Personal Referent:

Herzog (fnu) (SED member)

Deputy Minister:

Dr. Erich Ruebensan (SED member)

1. Main Department - Vegetable Production:

Fritz Weisshaupt (SED member)

a) Department for Planning:

Dr. Kiel (fnu - SED member)

b) Agricultural Service (Agronomischer Dienst):

Possart (fnu - SED member)

1) Agriculture (Ackerbau)2) Horticulture (Gartenbau)c) Department for Seed Trade (Saatguthandel):

Homberg (fnu - SED member)

d) Department for Plant Protection:

Wuscheiko (fnu - SED member)

2. Main Department - Animal Husbandry3. Main Department - Scientific Research:

Dr. Jakob (fnu - SED member)

Deputy Minister:Elvert (fnu - SED member)¹1. Main Department - Machine Tractor Stations:

Jaeschke (fnu - SED member)

2. Main Department - V.V.C.

Muehlstedt (fnu - SED member)

Deputy Minister:

Kiontke (fnu - SED member)

a) Propagandab) Exhibitions (Schauleitung)

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- c) Press
- d) Higher and Technical Schools
- e) Agrarian Economy

Main Department for Planning and Statistics: Lindner (fnu - SED member)

2. Of the above mentioned officials, Reichelt, Herzog, Elvert, Kiontke, Lindner, Weisshaupt, and Wuscheiko are alleged to be particularly active members of the SED.
3. The Ministry for Agriculture and Forestry as a whole employs approximately 680 persons.

Comment: Reported previously as Gerhart Elvert.

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